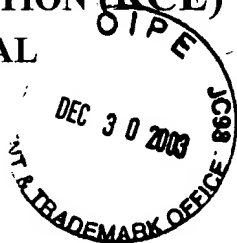


**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

MAIL STOP RCE

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,
provides for continued examination of an utility or
plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995



Application Number	09/599,002
Confirmation Number	8578
Filing Date	June 22, 2000
First Named Inventor	NYLAND, HAROLD INGE
Group Art Unit	1634
Examiner Name	Johannsen, D.
Matter Number	Q59836
Title	METHOD FOR DISEASE DIAGNOSIS BASED ON Fc RECEPTOR GENOTYPING

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Petition for Extension of Time
- v. ☐ Other _____

2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a
period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$385.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all
required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any
overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below:

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SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY

Name Drew Hissong Registration No. 44,765

Signature  Date December 30, 2003



PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

Docket No: Q59836

Harold Inge NYLAND, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/599,002

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c)

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Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2003. The examiner set a three month period for the response. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for a two-month extension of time, making the due date for response December 30, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as shown on the following pages.

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04 FC:2201 43.00 OP



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EXCESS CLAIM FEE PAYMENT LETTER

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Sir:

An Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(c) is attached hereto for concurrent filing in the above-identified application. The resulting excess claim fee has been calculated as shown below (Small Entity fees apply):

	After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For					
All Claims	38	-	21	=	17	X	\$9.00	= \$153.00
Independent	5	-	4	=	1	X	\$43.00	= \$43.00
TOTAL								= \$196.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$196.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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